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JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, June 18, 1894. 228

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1894. 322

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A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, May 17, 1894. 225

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

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Bankers :—

CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

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CHANTRY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, May 24, 1893. 47

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 20, Queen's Road, on MONDAY, the 25th June, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1894, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to 25th June, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
CHAS. F. HARTON,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, June 12, 1894. 1014

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

IN Order to avoid Sanitary Difficulties in further ports the s.s. Bayern, leaving Hongkong on or about MONDAY, the 25th Instant, for EUROPE, will take neither PASSENGERS nor CARGO.

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 11, 1894. 1010

CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS,
No. 47.

Tai-shek Barrier Beacons, Blenheim Passage.

J. H. MAY,
Harbour Master.

Approved :—
E. B. DREW,
Commissioner.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
Canton, 10th June, 1894. 1012

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Sole Agents for Hongkong of the ROYAL DUTCH PETROLEUM COMPANY in LANGKAT, will henceforward have for sale Stocks of the Company's Very Superior CROWN BRAND OIL.

MEYER & CO.,
Hongkong, May 31, 1894. 944

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per 1 dozen quarts. per 2 dozen pints.
\$28.00.....\$30.00

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Wine and Spirit Merchants.

Hongkong, November 11, 1893. 1040

For further Particulars, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

Hongkong, June 18, 1894. 1042

H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 23, 1894. 1029

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62, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, June 14, 1894. 1026

FIRST CLASS DRESS-MAKERS
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HONGKONG TRADING CO.,
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Hongkong, June 14, 1894. 1026

T. JACKSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, August 18, 1891. 1612

PRIVATE BOARD and RESIDENCE for LADIES and GENTLEMEN. Special attention to Ladies' comfort. Accommodation for Table Boarders. Central situation.

Mrs. MATHER,
2 and 3 Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, July 24, 1893. 1287

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Hongkong, October 21, 1892. 1842

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For further Particulars, apply at the OFFICES 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, or to

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Hongkong, May 29, 1894. 937

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Hongkong, November 21

THE CHINA MAIL.

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 1894.

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THE Steamship *SUTLEJ*, Captain W. D. G. WORCESTER, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON via BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 21st June, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to H. H. JOSEPH, Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, June 7, 1894.

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki), TUESDAY, July 3, Kobe, Inland Sea, & Yokohama, at 1 p.m.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki), WEDNESDAY, Aug. 1, Kobe, Inland Sea, & Yokohama, at 1 p.m.
Oceanic (via Nagasaki), TUESDAY, Aug. 21, Kobe, Inland Sea, & Yokohama, at 1 p.m.

THE Steamship GAEILC will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 3rd July, at 1 p.m., connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai. Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

General Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, June 13, 1894.

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To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL,

AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Kennedy*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Kowloon WHARF & GODOWN CO., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Underwriters before Noon, on the 24th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd instant.

No Fire insurance can be effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 24th Inst. will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1894.

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To-day's Advertisements.

In the Matter of Ordinance No. 2 of 1892, AND

In the Matter of the Petition of HARRIET RUTH TRACY, of New Brighton, in the County of Richmond and State of New York in the United States of America, and JEREMIAH EVARTS TRACY, of No. 62 Wall Street, in the City County and State of New York aforesaid, COUNSELLOR-AT-LAW, for LETTERS PATENT for the exclusive use within the Colony of Hongkong of an Invention for "Improvements in Sewing Machines."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition, Specification and Declaration required by the said Ordinance have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and it is the intention of the said HARRIET RUTH TRACY, and JEREMIAH EVARTS TRACY, by Victor HOBART DEACON, their duly authorized Agent, to apply at the Sitting of the Executive Council hereinafter mentioned for LETTERS PATENT for the exclusive use within the Colony of Hongkong of the above-named Invention.

And Notice is ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a SITTING of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, before whom the matter of the said Petition will come for decision, will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, at the Government Offices, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of July, 1894, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon.

V. H. DEACON,
Solicitor,
35 Queen's Road Central.

Dated the 18th day of July, 1894.

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In the Matter of Ordinance No. 2 of 1892, AND

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMSHIP VICTORIA.

Captain J. P. BROWN, R.N.R., sailing at 4 p.m. on the 19th June

THE CHINA MAIL.

Extreme Chinese processions were held at Macao on the nights of the 11th, 13th, 14th and 16th instant. On these occasions large quantities of crackers were fired. The procession was accompanied by a dragon and three lions, and everything passed off quietly until the last night (16th), when the three lions, in their endeavour to secure a prominent place, came into collision with each other, and the result was two of the brutes came to grief and the procession had to proceed with the one remaining representative of the monarch of the forest.

A CORRESPONDENT directs our notice to the fact that attention was forcibly drawn to the danger which the Praya Reclamation presented to the public in the matter of drainage. To a letter, dated 1st August 1887, in which the Reclamation scheme was declared to be premature, if not dangerous, we appended an editorial foot-note, bearing especially upon the effects of the proposed scheme on the low-level drainage. In that letter we said:—“Drainage levels will probably furnish one of the most difficult problems, and if the drainage of the town is to be endangered by the Reclamation, this will provide a very strong reason why the scheme should be very fully discussed in all its bearings. This view, of course, affects the entire public. Many questions of private rights and personalities will have to be separately considered.” This timely warning has apparently had but little effect. It is much to be feared—whatever may be subsequently proved to have been the main cause of the Plague in Hongkong—that the Praya Reclamation has materially interfered with the drainage. We do not mean only that the Reclamation has delayed the completion of the Drainage Scheme, for that was to be expected. The main error has been much more serious, for drains in the most insanitary district have been blocked up, and in these underground corridors of filth the dire disease itself has either taken its rise, or the poisons emanating from them have played an important part in spreading the Plague fever. We understand that several of the outfalls below the central infected district have been partially cleared. One of the old drains, however, has been stopped for a long period; and steps are now being taken to dig holes into it, at stated intervals, in order to relieve the soil of the pure filth which has been thereby imbedded for—how long, it is hard to tell. We already know that many of the native houses where the outbreak was first officially reported—it was in Bonham Strand and in the Tung Wab long before that, and no steps have yet been taken to punish the persons who suppressed the evil news—were undrained. The conclusion is, that all the overflow sewage of these houses was carefully bottled up in this choked drain which is supposed to flow to the sea through Taipingshan, by way of Bonham Strand. Until this particular matter is thoroughly ventilated—we don't mean the drain itself, but the effects of its illegal and almost criminal existence in that district—the question of responsibility had better be left open. H.E. the Governor may be acquitted of knowing of that drain's existence, although he could not well plead ignorance of other matters.

The U.S. cruiser, *Baltimore*, has gone to Seoul.

A CARGO of 2,000 tons of Tunkin small coal, shipped to San Francisco for an experiment, is reported to have sold at auction for \$1 per ton.

At a meeting of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha on the 6th inst. ten of the Company's steamers were chartered by the Japanese Government for secret service. The steamers were to call at Shimonesaki and rendezvous at Hiroshima. Some of the O.S.K.'s ships were also chartered.

Or five foreign steamers said to have been purchased by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the documents for the transfer of the *Hector*, 2,040 tons, and *Diamond*, 1,900 tons, will be signed at Kobe in a few days. The negotiations for three other vessels will shortly be concluded, says the *Yomiuri Maru*.

The British, a. s. *Poles*, 2,093 tons net, registered has been purchased in London by the *Mitsui Co.*, for £25,500. She is to be renamed the *Kichisato Maru*. The price paid for the *Cambria* is stated at £15,000 sterling. Japan would seem to be a profitable field for the disposal of antique vessels. The *Tobacco* (rechristened the *Touei Maru*), after being completely overhauled, had a satisfactory trial last week.

The Austrian Ambassadors (says *Truth*) are the lions of the official world. In their gaudy dresses they look like Calabrian priests of their race wearing ecclesiastical vestments made of far-Eastern stuff. One of them is the third Regent of Annam. Mr Chalonsel-Lacour was visited by them last week. They were told that he might probably be elected President next winter, and that in any case he was a member of a trinity, the first person of which is Mr. Caron, whom they made out to be the presents. They are to go soon to visit M. Dupuy, who is also to be a candidate for the Presidency. M. Chalonsel-Peyre will be visited in turn, and others. I wonder why they give gifts, knowing that Europeans have a highly avy of not returning them. The Ambassadors have been a pest, shopping at if they were Ambassador addresses. Their lodgings look like war rooms. Dear chaps! filled with merchandise that took their fangs at the Box Marches are piled up in them. They have been bought for their own wives, daughters, and the ladies of the Emperor's establishment. Three barrel-organs are among the musical instruments they intend taking, and a piano that is to be played by turning a handle. French ladies do not share their views. The corps de ballet confirmed them in this idea that European ideas of beauty are barbarous.

That there is a future before petroleum as a fuel for steamers is no longer a matter of doubt after the successful experiment in the steamer *Baku Standard*. Engineers have already recognised the fact, and on the Tyne-side a very prompt step has been taken with the view of preparing for the change. The Wallsend Shipway and Engineering Company (Limited) has applied for and secured a license to construct on its premises frontages for the storage of petroleum, and enough to supply steamers requiring it. The terms are, of course, to be paid in anticipation of a new bunkering trade which will spring up with the adaptation of steamers' furnaces to the new fuel. The development is an important one, and while in the case of oil and indeed of other steiners it will be very difficult from an economic point of view, it will produce two important results. It will reduce the demand for bunker coals, and reduce also the number of firemen required at sea. What Tyne-side is to lose in the way of bunker coals is evidently meant to make good by supplying the oil in its place; but what to do with the firemen who will be displaced at all our large ports is a problem of greater difficulty, which requires time to settle.

A MARINE COURT of Inquiry was held at the British Court at Yokohama on the 7th inst. to ascertain the circumstances attending the stranding of the British and American Consul, Capt. W. O. Thomas, in Suruga Bay, on the 10th May last. The court was composed as follows:—James Trapp, Esq., H.B.M. Consul; President, H. S. Steele, Esq., Consul; and P. O. steamship *Vernon*; W. Wait, Esq., Master of the British ship *Glenmore*. The President, in delivering the finding of the Court briefly referred to the evidence which had been given, and then continued:—The Court having regard to the circumstances above stated finds that the Chinaman who died on board the *Perseverance* was a case of the pest, and that Nagasaki, was a case of the pest, and that the man who sickened after the morning of the 15th was a victim of the same malady. They add, with regard to the dissection of the body, that the original opinion of the Sanitary Bureau was correct; but that the vessel had been carried out of her course by the insect of the current. The master evidently then mistook the S. Western port of Idzu for the Island of Kozushima, and acting on that, worked the ship into Suruga Gulf—no sounds being possible, and the weather being generally thick, with heavy squalls. There is nothing in the evidence to show that he could have discovered his error sooner than he did—subsequently to beat out of the Gulf, was an impossibility, the ship being light in ballast. The Court considers that the master acted with due prudence in putting his crew into the boats under the circumstances. The Court acquires the master of all blame for the casualty; and finds that proper discipline was maintained on board. The ship was subsequently won to safety and sailing directory. The expenses amounting to £26.90 were ordered to be paid by the master of the *Argonaut*.

One of the staff of the *Five Shandun* recently interviewed Dr Kitazato on the subject of the pest. It is hardly necessary to remind our readers (says the *Japan Express*) that the Doctor is one of the world's most famous biologists, and the assistant of Dr. Koch. He has started for China to have been despatched thither by the Government for the purpose of making an examination into the histology and possible therapeutic of the plague. In the present state of our knowledge of the pest, the specialist thinks that the precautionary measures to be adopted as well as the pathology of the plague itself are wholly conjectural. He is, however, of the opinion that the precautions taken against cholera ought to be equally effective in this epidemic. Drinking of soda but sterilized water and avoidance of indulgence in raw foodstuffs, ought to be sufficient protection against infection. In the case of cholera, menses, etc., the germs of which diseases are carried through the air, absolutely efficacious precautionary measures are extremely difficult; but when an epidemic attacks principally the digestive organs, strict attention to diet is generally a safeguard. The plague now raging in Canton and Hongkong probably belongs to the latter category. So far as Dr Kitazato himself is concerned, he will exercise his apprehension whatever, as he will regard the most rigid precaution with regard to food and drink.

The following items are taken from the *London and China Express* of May 18.—Bishop Scott, of North China, who left his diocese on Easter Eve, after suffering from typhus fever, arrived in England recently, accompanied by Mrs Scott and the Rev. M. Greenwood. The Bishop is in good health, and has accepted an engagement to preach for the benefit of his country in England. He will give an account of his work in China at the annual meeting to be held at the Church House, on June 7.

The Japanese Government have concluded negotiations with the Thames Ironworks and Shipbuilding Company (Limited) of Blackwall, and the ship thoroughly disinfected. A Japanese (36), named Yamakawa Jujiro, a native of Fukoku, was affected by the epidemic the following day. The man was immediately conveyed to the Japanese Hospital. The ship, of course, has been thoroughly disinfected.

A Chinese employé on board the *Beagle* was attacked by small-pox on the 4th inst. The patient was at once removed to the Chinese Hospital, and the ship thoroughly disinfected.

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